

South Carolina Board of Economic Advisors

Statement of Estimated State Revenue Impact

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Bill Number: H.B. 4487

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Committee Requesting Impact: House Ways & Means Committee

Bill Summary

A bill to amend the Code of Laws of South Carolina, 1976, by adding Section 2-7-74 so as to provide that unless approved by a two-thirds vote of the membership of each house of the General Assembly, appropriations made for recurring purposes from nonrecurring general fund revenues for a fiscal year may not exceed one percent of the total general fund revenues estimated by the Board of Economic Advisors to be available for that fiscal year at the time such appropriations are made.

REVENUE IMPACT ^{1/}

This bill is not expected to affect General Fund revenues in FY2008-09.

Explanation

This bill would add Section 2-7-74 to require that appropriations made for recurring purposes from nonrecurring General Fund revenues for a fiscal year may not exceed one percent of the total General Fund revenues estimated by the Board of Economic Advisors (BEA) for that fiscal year, unless approved by a two-thirds vote of the membership of each house. Based on the BEA's February 11, 2008 General Fund revenue estimate of \$7,336,362,115 in FY2008-09, one percent, or \$73,363,621, may be appropriated from nonrecurring General Fund revenues for recurring purposes in FY2008-09. Since this bill deals only with appropriations, it would not affect General Fund revenues in FY2008-09.

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^{1/} This statement meets the requirement of Section 2-7-71 for a state revenue impact by the BEA, or Section 2-7-76 for a local revenue impact or Section 6-1-85(B) for an estimate of the shift in local property tax incidence by the Office of Economic Research.